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TAGS: OCLR, TGEN, TBIO, AR, CI, PE

SUBJECT: R/V THOMAS G. THOMPSON RESEARCH CRUISE

REF: STATE 3483

1. EMBASSY HAS INFORMED GOA OF CHANGES IN ITINERARY  
OF R/V THOMPSON AS INSTRUCTED REFTEL.

2. EMBASSY HAS ALSO RECEIVED NOTE NO. 2490 DATED  
DEC 29, 1975 FROM FOREIGN OFFICE STATING IN SUBSTANCE  
THE FOLLOWING:

QUOTE RESEARCH TO BE CONDUCTED BY R/V THOMPSON IN  
AREAS OF DRAKE PASSAGE NORTH RPT NORTH OF 60'S, EVEN  
THOUGH NOT TAKING PLACE IN WHAT IS CALLED 'TERRITORIAL  
WATERS', IS SUBJECT TO NATIONAL LAWS IN FORCE, SINCE  
THAT RESEARCH WILL BE CONDUCTED IN WATERS WITHIN THE  
ARGENTINE JURISDICTION, ACCORDING TO DECREES-LAWS  
17.094/67, 20.489/73 AND DECREE 4.915/73. WITH  
REFERENCE TO SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH DONE SOUTH OF  
PARALLEL 60'S, THE FONOF NOTE ADDS THAT IT  
FALLS UNDER THE ANTARCTIC TREATY, OF WHICH US  
AND ARGENTINA ARE SIGNATORY PARTIES. UNQUOTE

3. EMBASSY BELIEVES GOA WISHES TO MAKE POINT THAT  
RESEARCH CONDUCTED IN DRAKE PASSAGE NORTH OF 60'

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SOUTH WOULD BE SUBJECT TO GOA LEGISLATION. NOTE, HOWEVER,

SIMPLY STATES THIS AS FACT AND DOES NOT APPARENTLY  
REQUIRE A FORMAL REPLY FROM THE EMBASSY. PERHAPS ALL,  
RPT ALL, OF THOMPSON'S RESEARCH WILL BE SOUTH OF  
60'; INCLUDING THAT IN DRAKE PASSAGE, IN WHICH  
CASE WE MIGHT INFORM GOA.

4. PLEASE INSTRUCT WHETHER EMBASSY SHOULD REPLY  
TO THIS NOTE AND IF SO WHAT LINE DOES DEPT WISH  
EMBASSY TO FOLLOW. LAW 17,094 ESTABLISHES ARGENTINE  
200 MILE SEA LIMIT. LAW 20,849 AND DECREE 4,915  
REPORTED EMBASSY'S A-129 OF APRIL 19, 1974.  
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